

## **MINUTES**

Thursday-May 3, 2001

PSC Board Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND

The Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) meeting was called to order by chair, Doug Johnson. Board members present were Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Maryjane Martens, and Bev Sandness. ESPB staff members present were Deb Jensen, Diane Weber and Janet Welk. Visitors present were Bill Peterson from the Attorney General's Office, Joe Westby and Linda Edwards from NDEA, Roman Weiler from the private school sector, Wayne Kutzer and Mark Wilson from Vocational Education, Gary Thune legal representation for Grafton School cases and Ev Kappel.

Amy Benz, Randy Gordon, Jack Rasmussen and Mike Schatz were board members who were absent from the meeting.

Janet informed the group of agenda changes such case additions, case deletions and Sherman Sylling from the ND High School Activities Association not appearing before the group.

A motion was made by Laura to approve the April board minutes as written. Second by Maryjane. Motion carried. Board members voting yes were Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness.

The financial statement reflected \$21,435.53 in revenue; \$22,579.37 in expenses with a net income of a minus \$1,143.84. Eighty-five percent of the budget has been expended for the 2000-01 fiscal year. A motion was made by Don to accept the financial report. Second by Bev. Motion carried. Board members in agreement were Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness. In reviewing the financial statement, the line item of licenses issued, this number was the lowest for the 2000-01 fiscal year. Diane indicated that approximately 85 applications have been collected since mid-April but have not been processed due to the fact these applications fall within the six-week pending clause (NDCC15-35-12). Once the applicants have completed the last day of school, the licenses will be issued.

Wayne Kutzer and Mark Wilson explained to the board the need for implementation (in particular for the smaller school districts) the promotion and awareness of career and occupational education. Vocational education would like to expand the grades from 10-12 to 7-12. A motion was made by Bev to expand the trade, industry and technical instructors to teach from grades 10-12 to 7-12, effective fall, 2001. Second by Don. Board members in agreement were Laura Carney, Don

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Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness.

Changes were made to reflect this grade level change with **T/I restricted licenses, 67.1-02-04-06 and clinical practices, 67.1-02-04-07 and 67.1-02-05-04** emergency rules to allow the clinical practices option to begin in August.

Janet indicated that there are grant dollars available that may be used for applicants interested in the clinical practice option, thru the "Transition to Teaching Program". These are federal dollars without a match. She also mentioned to the board the elementary education degree with a minor and the ability to teach at the secondary level. Janet will bring rules forward to the June meeting.

Deb briefed the board on the program approval standards. Comments are still being received on the special education advanced programs, elementary education and the bilingual/ESL endorsement, ag education, family and consumer sciences (FACS). Twenty individuals attended the program approval team training in Jamestown, April 5-6, 2001. Deb shared the compiled training evaluations and recommendations on future policies with the board. She has also been firming up team members for the fall, onsite visit program approval visits for Valley City State University, UND and Turtle Mountain Community College. The Mayville State University visitation has been completed and the visitation report will be made available for the June 14 PAAC meeting.

A total of 105 individuals from 45 districts were trained in the Professional Development Guidelines model in March and April. The next fiscal year (2001-2002) of the grant has been funded in the full amount of \$30,000 thru Goals 2000.

## **CASES**

### **Aucker, Raymond (Adm)**

Janet is still waiting for further information; therefore this case could not be discussed.

### **DeAnn Boschert (Adm)**

Bill Peterson has contacted the president of the Cavalier School Board requesting the school provide a copy of all records concerning Ms. Miller-Boschert's resignation and reasons for the resignation. He also reminded the school that neither the school or Ms. Miller-Boschert could avoid the open record law by agreement. Bill informed the board that the school will not comply with the request and he is waiting for information from Cavalier's legal council. Therefore, this case will be heard at a later time.

### **Debra Hosie**

A motion was made by Maryjane to dismiss the request for inquiry. Second by Don. Motion carried. Board members in agreement were Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane

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Martens and Bev Sandness. Ms. Hosie's case was brought before the board due to a professional code of ethics. She is presently teaching at the White Shield School.

#### **Grafton Public Schools**

##### **Robert Bradshaw (Adm)**

A motion was made by Bev to dismiss the request for inquiry. Second by Maryjane. Motion carried. The administrative board members who voted yes were Laura Carney, Maryjane Martens, Doug Johnson and Bev Sandness.

##### **Julian Bjornson (Adm)**

A motion was made by Bev to dismiss the request for inquiry. Second by Maryjane. Motion carried. The administrative board members who voted yes were Laura Carney, Maryjane Martens, Doug Johnson and Bev Sandness.

##### **Chris Bates (Adm)**

A motion was made by Bev to dismiss the request for inquiry. Second by Maryjane. Motion carried. The administrative board members who voted yes were Laura Carney, Maryjane Martens, Doug Johnson and Bev Sandness.

##### **Kent Green**

A motion was made by Don to dismiss the request for inquiry. Second by Bev. Motion carried. Board members who voted yes were Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness.

Bill Peterson will notify the above Grafton Public School individuals. Based upon the information reviewed by the board, the board determined there was insufficient grounds to believe that the teacher and administrators violated NDCC 15-36-15 or the Educator's Professional code of ethics. For this reason, the board voted to dismiss the requests for inquiry.

##### **Silas Counts**

A motion was made by Don to issue a license. Second by Laura. Motion carried. Board members who vote yes were Laura Carney, Don Haugen, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness. Mr. Count's application request was brought before the board due to his background check. Mr. Count's will be graduating from Dickinson State College this spring.

##### **John Hecock**

Janet presented to the board the recalculated credits. The board decided to not make an exception; maintaining the 2.50 grade point average (67.1-02-02-02 (2)). Mr. Hecock is pursuing a degree in elementary education at Mayville State.

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**PENDING BOARD CASES**

James Kendal, Oakes

Robert Scrivner, Hankinson


Brant Wardner, Dickinson


Harvey Wolff, Oakes

Alan Worrel, Verona

The outgoing board chair, Doug Johnson, will work on a nomination committee for a slate of new officers. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45.

A joint meeting with Higher Education, Vocational Education and the Education Standards and Practices Board has been set for June 30<sup>th</sup> at Valley City State College. The board retreat will be held June 25 & 26 at Medora.

  
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Secretary/Executive Director